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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 3711

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re the Application of:	Attorney Docket No.: SHO-0050
Tatsuhiko TANIMURA	Examiner: D. R. Collins
Application No.: 10/697,248	Art Unit: 3711
Filed: October 31, 2003	Confirmation No.: 9040
For: GAMING MACHINE	

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**RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the final Office Action dated January 13, 2006, please reconsider above-identified application for the reasons set forth below.

Claims 1-6 are pending in the application. There are no amendments to the claims.

**II. AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS**

(There are no amendments to the drawings)

**III. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

(There are no amendments to the specification)

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